

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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R<sub>2</sub> represents: a hydrogen atom or a methyl group;

R<sub>3</sub> represents: a hydroxyl or hydroxymethyl group;

R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub> each represents: a hydrogen atom, a methyl group or a halogen atom provided that at least one of R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub> is a halogen atom; and

R<sub>6</sub> represents: a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>9</sub> alkyl group which may have a branch or a double bond, or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>9</sub> alkyl group having an alkoxy substituent group, the C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub> bond being a single or double bond.--

*Please cancel claim 1.*

**REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been carried over from the parent application and cancelled in this Preliminary Amendment. Claims 52-64 directed to PGE<sub>1</sub> compounds, including independent claims 52, 58 and 64, are presented for the Examiner's consideration.

Particularly, present independent claims 52, 58 and 64 correspond to independent claims 1, 26 and 51 of parent Application No. 07/700,895 (allowed), except that these claims are directed to PGE<sub>1</sub> compounds (i.e., the non-elected invention in the parent application).

The true copy of the prior Application No. 07/700,895 submitted herewith constitutes the specification as originally

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filed in great-grandparent Application No. 07/149,445, as amended by the Preliminary Amendment filed June 1, 1988 in Application No. 07/149,445 and the Preliminary Amendment filed September 12, 1989 in grandparent Application No. 07/406,830. The cumulative amendments to the specification in the above-noted chain of continuation applications are reflected in this Preliminary Amendment.

Favorable consideration of claims 52-64 is requested.

In the event that the Examiner believes that it may facilitate the further prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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